PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of Docket No: Q76937

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For: COMPOSITION AND METHOD FOR PROMOTING HAIR GROWTH

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION AND ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENTS

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Sir:

This responds to the Restriction and Election of Species Requirements set forth in the Office Action dated August 17, 2009.

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicant elects Group II, claim 9, for examination. This election is made without traverse. Applicant notes that a Preliminary Amendment is being submitted herewith adding claims 14-20 corresponding to claims 2-8 except for depending directly or indirectly on elected claim 9, and thus Applicant submits that claims 14-20 should be considered as elected claims with respect to this restriction requirement.

In response to the Election of Species Requirement, Applicant elects 13,14-dihydro-15,15-ethylenedioxy-20-ethyl PGF2α isopropyl ester (the compound recited in original claim 4 and new claim 16) for examination, on which elected claims 9 and 14-16 are readable.